

**MINUTES  
NORTH LEBANON TOWNSHIP  
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD  
January 5, 2016**

The meeting of the North Lebanon Township Parks & Recreation Board was called to order at 7:00 PM at the North Lebanon Township Municipal Building located at 725 Kimmerlings Road, North Lebanon Township. The pledge to the flag was recited.

The following members were present:

Gary Zelinske	Member
Jay Snavelly	Member
Corey Hetrick	Member
Kathy Sattazahn	Member
Cheri Grumbine	Township Manager

Also in attendance was Supervisor Edward Brensinger.

Member Zelinske asked if there were any additions or corrections or a motion to approve the December minutes.

**MOTION:** Motion was made and seconded to approve the December minutes. Motion carried.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no comments from the public as there was no public in attendance.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Tree Grant**

Suv. Brensinger stated that Mgr Grumbine for the Board of Supervisors has applied for an Act 13 Marcellus Shale Oil Grant which originally goes to the counties and is then distributed to the municipalities. We applied to the County Commissioners for \$7,000 for trees and our match would be equal. Any funds we would receive would be used to replace some of the trees and add some new ones.

**OLD BUSINESS****Playground equipment at Lions Lake Update**

Supervisor Brensinger stated they asked an engineer to give us a cost estimate as to what it would cost to look at the playground equipment. The estimate was \$1,000 for them to look at it and tell us what would make the equipment safer. He explained that he and Supervisor Sattazahn looked at it again and thought they could spend the \$1,000 more wisely in repairing the equipment. He explained the posts are rotted at ground level. He showed the Board pictures of the equipment. He showed where there is cracked plastic on the slide. He said one option would be to purchase a replacement piece or in the interim take a saw and cut the dangling piece off and smooth the edges to make it safe for now. He continued that they had discussed replacing the posts one at a time with treated wood and new concrete at a possible cost of \$2,500. He mentioned another option he and Pete Spitler looked at would be to pour concrete around what is left of old posts and anchor the new posts to the concrete instead of digging up the existing posts and replacing the whole post. He said of utmost importance is making it safe. He stated new playground mulch is needed because the mulch has eroded away. He further mentioned they would round any corners and make them as safe as possible and some of the other problem areas that have rotted could easily be replaced. Discussion followed with a question of cost to which Suv. Brensinger replied it could be between \$2,000 and \$3,000.

Discussion continued regarding setting aside a fund for maintenance and replacement. Member Zelinske asked how we would go about proceeding to get this accomplished. Suv. Brensinger explained that there may be some changes coming in the Municipal Planning Code as to how fees in lieu of may be used to include maintenance instead of only to purchase new equipment. Question was asked how often the playground was used to which the reply was it is used as much as any park in the Township is used. Discussion continued with a request to look into planning ahead for maintenance. Discussion followed regarding the piece of equipment that they were originally looking at. Question was asked about the perceived timeline of doing the work to which Suv. Brensinger replied they would hope to complete it within a month. Question was asked if there was any major opposition to Suv. Brensinger's plan to which the reply was no. Manager Grumbine explained there is nothing in the budget for replacement at this time. She explained how the fees in lieu of regarding disbursement according to districts works. Member Zelinske mentioned an issue of hardware replacement had been discussed to which Suv. Brensinger replied they would be replaced.

**Dam Breach Analysis**

Mgr. Grumbine said they are waiting to hear about purchasing the property on the corner next to the dam.

**Walking Path Signage/Shed Removal**

Mgr. Grumbine asked if the signs for the walking path had been ordered yet to which Suv. Brensinger replied no. He said they will need another layer of paving on top of the walking path.

Question was asked about the new ball field to which Suv. Sattazahan replied they had a soil analysis done and determined from that what would be needed. He then went to Woodland Contractors with the information. They picked it up and we applied it. Suv. Brensinger mentioned that Dave had applied an area on the soccer field with top dressing made from leaf compost.

**Outstanding Keys**

Mgr. Grumbine mentioned that there were three outstanding keys from the sports organizations. Discussion followed regarding getting the remaining keys returned in a timely manner.

Suv. Brensinger announced that Lori Books was hired as Administrative Assistant and will be coming to the next meeting.

**MOTION: Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.**

With there being no more business brought before the Parks and Recreation Board the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Bertin  
Recording Secretary